NONPROVISIONAL PATENT **APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)** IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

METHOD FOR JOINING FRAME MEMBERS

By (Inventors):

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- 10 pages of Specification/Claims 1-2/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Figs. 1-4B; 4 sheets) are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and one reference.
- This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
- A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence -- This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed
- Priority of foreign application No. 2000-268224 filed September 5, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 冈 35 U.S.C. §119.
- \boxtimes A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	
BASIC FEE			
TOTAL CLAIMS	2 - 20	= 0	
INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0	
☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			

	SMALL ENTITY			
	RATE	FEE	<u>OR</u>	
	153	\$ 355	<u>OR</u>	
	x 9 =	\$	<u>OR</u>	
	x 40 =	\$	<u>OR</u>	
	+135 =	\$	<u>OR</u>	
•	TOTAL	\$	<u>OR</u>	

LARGE ENTITY		
RATE	FEE	
	\$ 710	
x 18	\$	
x 80	\$	
+270	\$	
TOTAL	\$ 710	

A check in the amount of \$750 (\$710 for the filing fee and \$40 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) \boxtimes is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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